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## DOSE'S DIRTY DEAL.

Altgeld's Confidential Clerk Admits His Responsibility.

### SAYS SNEIVELY ORIGINATED IT.

Gives Out a Statement in Which He Assumes the Role of "Faust" and Tells His Tale of Perfidy.

Springfield, Ill., Nov. 2.—Governor Altgeld's private secretary makes confession by his silence in reply to the charge that he caused the Altgeldian anonymous attack against Tanner to be printed, and he emphasizes the silent confession by giving out for publication a lengthy statement about the features. In this he takes the role of Faust, and casts his friend Sneively in the star part of "Mephistopheles," the tempter.

Colonel Dose's first inclination was to treat the charges with dignified silence, but he changed his mind after more thorough study of the situation. His statement ignores the direct, positive charge that he ordered the circulars printed and seems to be a studied effort to convince the public that he was put up to this dirty work by the Democratic candidate for supreme clerk. Colonel Dose's statement and the reply of Mr. Sneively to his assertions are given herewith in their own language.

"I have been shown an article contained in a publication published at Springfield, entitled 'The Journal,' in which it is made to appear that I was chiefly instrumental in publishing a certain circular, and the idea is sought to be conveyed that I did this at the instance of Governor Altgeld. I will tell the facts:

About two months ago Mr. Eban A. Sneively, clerk of the supreme court, and candidate for reelection, came to my room and showed me a sheet which had been sent to a Greenville newspaper to be sent as a supplement to that paper. Knowing that Mr. Sneively (candidate for reelection for the office of clerk of the supreme court) had formerly lived in Greenville I gave him considerable attention.

The supplement which he showed me was not from Republican headquarters but contained most villainous and most scurrilous pictures and articles about Governor Altgeld. I simply laughed when he showed these to me but he insisted that some answer must be made. I told him that he was foolish and that there was no necessity for bothering about such stuff. He insisted I was mistaken, and in answer to his question what he would suggest he said:

'I would like to see you have a picture of Tanner killing Burke and then I would depict him running away from the mob in Illinois and hiding himself in the swamps of Missouri.'

I told him then that I did not approve of this sort of tactics in politics and that I certainly would not dare to mention to Governor Altgeld that any such scheme would be put forward. In answer he said:

'Why should you mention it to the governor at all? Get it out and after it's out it's over.'

"I regarded what he said as being purely in the spirit of levity and paid no further attention to it, but about two weeks after that I received through the mails an envelope containing proofs of pictures in which Tanner was portrayed as fleeing from justice. I had scarcely opened my mail that morning when Mr. Sneively came to my room and showed me the proofs of the pictures. He said that the pictures were not at all what he wanted. He insisted that they were entirely too mild and that his idea was to get a large picture showing up Tanner with his friends in the wagon shooting at a man on the outside and he was very eloquent in describing how the cloths of blood should be painted, etc., etc. I then said to Sneively:

'I don't know how a little dried up short-sighted fellow like you can display as much animosity as you do. I am very much afraid that some day a good healthy man like John Tanner will take you and throw you out of the window.'

"Mr. Sneively's answer to this was one of his characteristic grins.

"I did not hear any more of this until about ten days ago when I received a lot of pictures which were similar to the pictures I had seen before. They were much more in harmony with the ideas Mr. Sneively had expressed than the others.

However, be this as it may, Governor Altgeld knows nothing whatever about this, nor was he consulted by either Sneively, by me or by anyone else.

The newspaper attack upon Governor Altgeld to which Dose's allusion is made never circulated in Springfield nor was it ever heard of by local Republican newspaper men. It is described as a newspaper supplement containing matter about Governor Altgeld's campaign, illustrated by cartoons, one of which represents the governor breaking in to the state treasury at the time when the law required it should be kept closed. This particular cartoon, which seems to be the one against which Dose's denunciations are directed, puts into the form of a picture the charges made on the stump by Foreman, Hon. William R. Morrison and Mr. Lloyd F. Hamilton. According to the statements of all who claim to know anything about the matter, his attack was distributed openly as a campaign document in the form of supplements to country newspapers.

It may be observed that Dose's admissions show that some one has been engaged for a number of weeks in getting ready to spring this particular campaign dodge upon the voters of Illinois. According to his statement the cuts were received at the governor's office, or the executive mansion about ten days ago. They were not taken to Hartman's printing office until Wednesday, three or four days ago, so Dose's statement shows that he held them long enough to consider well what he ought to do with them. He does not state how the cuts happened to be received by him nor does he charge that any person caused them to be made and sent to him. It may be observed, further, that the dirty job was first discussed fully two months ago, and that it was only two weeks after that when Dose received proofs of the cuts to be used in illustrating the anonymous circular. This shows that the original order for the illustrations was made more than six weeks ago; and yet the claim is made that nothing was ever said to Governor Altgeld about it. It may be remembered by those who read what Dose said at first that he denied all knowledge of the authorship of the circular and said that he knew nothing at all about them. No one who has read Dose's statement can fail to observe that he does not deny that he ordered the printing in Hartman's office.

Mr. Sneively had little to say in reply to the manner in which he was connected with the circular by the private secretary. When asked for an expression he confined his remarks to the following:

"I do not care to add to what I said in my note to Mr. Tanner. I had absolutely nothing to do in any way with concealing or carrying on the scheme and for proof of this I refer to Mr. Hartman, to the express companies and to any and all firms, anywhere who make cuts. Colonel Dose in his statement does not deny that he, and he alone, is responsible, and this is prudent, as the affidavit of Mr. Hartman can be furnished to the effect that he ordered the work done."

Mr. Hartman was out of the city yesterday and his affidavit was not obtainable, but prior to his departure he stated that Mr. Sneively had nothing whatever to do with ordering the printing of the circular, or with the distribution of it.

It is understood that the printing of the circulars was stopped by the exposure and only a few copies have been put out in this city. Every person who has been identified with the job in any way, directly or indirectly, no matter how remotely, has shown intense desire to be rid of all suspicion of the authorship or responsibility for it. It was designed purely for anonymous circulation and the persons responsible for it are heartily ashamed of it. This alone is sufficient to show that the real character of the scheme is not indicated by its caption: "The truth about Tanner," but would be better described under the heading: "Lies about Tanner." And what must the voter think of the candidate whose confidential clerk holds back for weeks a vile thing like that until every weekly paper has sent out the last issue it will make before election day and then has it printed on the day for distribution a day or two before election day?

Threw Her Children Before a Car.

New York, Nov. 2.—Mrs. J. Byrnes became suddenly insane Sunday morning, and declaring that her friends had hatched a plot to kill her children, one an infant of 8 months, and the other 18 months older, grabbed them from their bed, and running wildly down to Columbus avenue, threw them in front of an electric car. The infants were helpless to move, and had it not been for prompt aid rendered they would have been crushed under the wheels. As it was both escaped.

Went Home to Vote.

Chicago, Nov. 2.—Hon. John R. Tanner, Republican candidate for governor of Illinois, left for his home this afternoon to vote. He expressed his opinion that Illinois will go Republican by over 100,000 majority.

## ILLINOIS O. K.

Republican Plurality Estimate is 200,000.

### RESULT CAREFUL POLL BY COUNTIES

How Doubtful Votes Were Counted—Ohioan Expected to Go Out of Cook 136,000 Ahead—Where Bryan is Thought to Be in the Lead.

Chicago, Nov. 2.—Following the admission by Popocratic National Chairman Jones Sunday that Illinois is considered a doubtful state by the Bryan people the managers of the Republican campaign in this state declared they had evidence in black and white that it would go for sound money and the Tanner ticket by from 150,000 to 200,000 plurality.

Complete and final polls of every county now in the central committee's possession indicate that McKinley will receive in round numbers a total vote of 575,000, against 372,000 for Bryan. This would give McKinley 203,000 majority over the Boy Orator.

Then there are 14,500 votes placed to the credit of Palmer and Buckner and 10,000 to Levering, the Prohibitionist. The combined strength of these candidates shows an aggregate of 972,000 votes.

Outside of Cook County.

The poll outside of Cook county places McKinley's vote at 349,000 and Bryan's at 271,000. After deducting 5 per cent for those who, because of various reasons, may not go to the polls, McKinley's showing stands at 332,500 and Bryan's at 257,450, a majority for McKinley of 75,050.

John M. Smyth, William Lorrimer and H. L. Hertz figure that in Cook county McKinley will receive 240,000 and Bryan 114,000. These showings, it will be seen, put McKinley's total in the state at 572,500 and Bryan's 371,450. On this basis McKinley will carry Cook county by 136,000 and the state by 201,000.

### COMING OVER TO MCKINLEY.

Sound Money Democrats Against Repudiation—Popocrat Sunday Meetings.

Chicago, Nov. 2.—A telegram was received from Detroit Saturday night stating on the highest possible authority that the sound money Democrats of Michigan would vote almost solidly for McKinley and Hobart. This will be done in order that the decision against flat money and repudiation in that state may be as emphatic as possible. Chairman Bynum, of the Sound Money Democratic National committee, stated this morning that he had information from all of the sound money Democratic leaders in the central and western states as well as Kentucky, and some other states in the south, advising him that the sound money Democrats would unite and march to the polls tomorrow and cast their votes for McKinley and Hobart. The approaching crisis, Mr. Bynum says, is bringing nearly all the sound money Democrats to the Republican ticket, in order to absolutely assert their overwhelming defeat and obliteration of the financial heresy.

Sabbath Desecration.

Yesterday's open air and street public meetings at which Eugene V. Debs, Governor Altgeld and others of that party of Chicago spoke, their marching processions, their open Sabbath desecration, their violent denunciation of moral principles, their attacks upon religious gatherings, their insults to the American flag, have commenced to arouse the good people of Chicago to the greatest activity in response of political party. On no previous occasion has there appeared such unanimity of sentiment among the law-abiding citizens of all classes in favor of active, energetic and combined work in behalf of the single candidate.

Rioting at Wilkesbarre.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Nov. 2.—Both political parties had demonstrations in the mining town of Duryea Saturday night, and excitement ran high. There were many quarrels between the opposing forces. Frank Bronski, a Polish Republican, quarreled with some of his countrymen. Yesterday his dead body was found in a ditch. The skull had been crushed in. His assailants had evidently used a heavy club. John Luby and Andrew Dretaki, Slave, fought in a bar room. Luby drew a knife and stabbed Dretaki in the abdomen. He died last night. Seized with remorse Luby drew the knife across his own throat. The floor of the barroom was a sea of blood. The attending physicians say Luby's death is only a question of time.

The Weather.

Chicago, Nov. 2.—Showers tonight; cooler in the west Tuesday; showers, followed by brisk southerly winds.

## NEWS MAY BE SLOW.

Don't Be Impatient if the Result is Not Known Early.

### EAST ALL RIGHT—WEST THE CENTER

Intelligence from the Middle and Western States First in Demand—Returns May Be Tardy.

Chicago, Nov. 2.—The public must be prepared for later service on tomorrow's election than usual. It must be borne in mind that hitherto in presidential elections New York has been the pivotal state and the polls close there at four o'clock in the afternoon. There the telegraph facilities are of the highest order and the difference in time enabled the Associated Press to practically determine the result before midnight in the west. This year the interest will center chiefly in states west of the Alleghany, particularly in the states west of the Mississippi river. Much advantage in time is lost. As a rule the polls close later and the telegraph facilities are comparatively limited. In Illinois there is a provision for amending the state constitution and in Chicago another for the issue of local bonds both of which under the law must be counted first and this will necessarily involve some delay. It is needless to say that every effort will be made to prosecute the work as rapidly as possible, but the limitations indicated exist, and it is well understood. In computing the returns for tomorrow's election comparisons of gains and losses will be made with the presidential election of ninety-two.

Weather on Election Day.

Washington, Nov. 2.—The weather bureau has issued the following special election day weather bulletin: "Fair, pleasant weather, with normal temperature, prevails this morning in all states except as follows: Two to four inches of snow has fallen over South Dakota, still falling with probability that it will continue today and tonight. In North Dakota two inches has fallen in south central part of the state and the conditions are favorable for a moderate fall today and tonight in the eastern half. In Nebraska a light snow will probably fall in the north half of the state tonight. In Minnesota, Wisconsin, Upper Michigan, weather cloudy with conditions strongly indicating an unpleasant day Tuesday with light rain or snow. In lower Michigan clouds are gathering and conditions are favorable for warm weather Tuesday, with an occasional shower. In Indiana, Illinois, Missouri and Iowa, weather warm, pleasant day, but clouds gathering and conditions uncertain for Tuesday, with weight in favor of generally fair weather. In Washington and Oregon rain has been falling every day during the past week, making conditions bad for traveling in the country, and probable heavy cloudiness and moderate rainfall will continue in both states Tuesday. In all other states the weather charts this morning give strong indications for fair, pleasant weather Tuesday."

Irish to Follow Bryan To-Day.

Omaha, Nov. 2.—One of the most exciting as well as intensely interesting features of this sensational campaign occurs today when W. J. Bryan, in his rapid flight through Nebraska will be closely followed by Hon. J. P. Irish of California. The itinerary of the Irish train has been arranged with great care. Hon. Euclid Martin, chairman of the National Democratic State Central committee having the affair in charge. Mr. Bryan will spend the day along the Burlington road, starting his speech-making in the early hours of the morning, closing his campaign in Omaha this evening. Shortly after Mr. Bryan has commenced his orating the special train carrying Irish and the flower of the gold standard Democracy of Nebraska will follow him closely.

Armenians for McKinley.

Chicago, Nov. 2.—The Armenians of Chicago and adjacent towns, at a mass meeting held yesterday, adopted resolutions calling attention to the Armenian troubles in Turkey and urging all citizens of Greek, Syrian and Nestorian origin to vote for McKinley. A delegation of six Armenians started to Canton last night to present a copy of the resolutions to Major McKinley.

Money in New York.

New York, Nov. 2.—The only call loan made this morning up to noon was \$50,000 at 10 per cent. Money now quoted is offered at 35 to 50 per cent.

Murder and Suicide.

Baltimore, Nov. 2.—Today Scott Linton, fatally shot William Metzler and Bell Gray and then killed himself at Georgetown.

## BRYAN IN NEBRASKA.

Greeted Everywhere by Fluttering Gold Badges.

York, Neb., Nov. 2.—Bryan started on his last day's campaigning trip at 7 o'clock this morning. Only a few people were at the train to see him off. The first stop was made at Seward. This is a Republican place and there was an exceptionally large display of yellow badges, fully half the crowd being so decorated.

Rival Meetings at Omaha.

Omaha, Nov. 2.—The closing of the campaign in Nebraska at Omaha tonight promises to be exciting. Bryan will be here and speak at five different places. The Republicans will parade with 20,000 in line. To avoid trouble the town has been divided and the Republicans will not go into the Democratic division till after 9 o'clock. The tension has been intensified by the local silver paper advising the silver men to put stones in their pockets and use them if efforts are made to disturb Bryan.

### HEAR THE ELECTION NEWS.

Telegraph Report in Full at the Tabernacle—Republican Headquarters.

The news from the election tomorrow evening will come in early as the polls close in the large cities at 4 o'clock and in the country districts at 5 o'clock.

You will want to hear the news, of course.

Republican headquarters will be at the tabernacle, where the news will be received promptly by telegraph and read. There will be an instrument and an operator at the hall. Reports will come promptly. No doubt enough will be known at 11:30 to tell which side has won in the fight.

News will be received at the morning newspaper offices, at the Grand opera house, at Democratic headquarters, at the Decatur club rooms and at Quinn and Seeforth's cigar store. Telegraph operators will be at each place named.

### Political Notes.

The Republican meeting announced for tonight at the tabernacle will not be held. Congressman Connolly will close his speech-making in the district tonight by addressing a Republican rally at Lincoln. States' Attorney Mills will speak at the Geo building in the Fifth Ward tonight.

Each chairman of each precinct will be at the polling places tomorrow to receive the Republican voters of her precinct and the women can meet at the same places they met when they went to register.

One of the special features of the parade Saturday night was in the carriage of which Mrs. T. W. Douglas was chairman. Little May Smith, the four year old daughter of Frazier Smith, was attired in a fancy costume and attracted a great deal of attention.

The ladies of the W. R. C. who served lunch at the Gallagher block Saturday afternoon, wish to return thanks to the Blue Mound band for the serenades given them. The ladies realized a handsome sum on their lunches.

### Lloyd Not a Candidate.

Chicago, Nov. 2.—Henry D. Lloyd, nominated by the Populists for lieutenant governor of Illinois, returned from the east this morning. He said to an Associated press reporter that the use of his name was unauthorized and that he so notified Secretary Hendrickson. Nevertheless his name appeared on the ticket. He wishes no attention be paid to it, as he is not a candidate.

### Snow in Dakota.

Huron, S. D., Nov. 2.—Five inches of snow fell during last night, making a foot now on the ground. The storm north and west is reported very severe. Farmers are wholly unprepared for winter. The telegraph poles and wires are down between here and Pierre and there has been no communication with that city by wire since Thursday evening.

### At Canton Before the Battle.

Canton, Ohio, Nov. 2.—No organized delegations have arrived today so far. The callers, singly and in parties, have been going and coming to and from McKinley's house all day. The city is bustling with preparations for tomorrow night. Wires are being strung up everywhere. Never before has there been such preparations here for the reception of news.

### Claims in New York.

New York, Nov. 2.—Van Cott, chairman of the Republican committee for New York county, estimates McKinley's plurality at 25,000; Sheehan, Popocrat chairman, estimates Bryan's plurality at 35,000. Both estimates are for New York county only.

### No Parade To-Night.

There has been some inquiry as to whether or not the Young Men's Sound Money club would parade in Decatur tonight. It will not parade. Wait till after the election for the justification.

### Killed His Wife.

Mankato, Minn., Nov. 2.—Louis Reiser, proprietor of the American house, while drunk this morning, shot and killed his wife. He was arrested.

## IN A COLLISION.

Republican Special Train Wrecked in Nebraska.

### HON. JOHN R. IRISH UNHURT.

A Commercial Traveler John M. Tippling, of Lincoln, Killed—Special Was Following Bryan on His Trip.

Omaha, Neb., Nov. 2.—The Bee's Malcomb special correspondent says: The train bearing Hon. John P. Irish, Republican orator, following Bryan, collided with a freight train near here today. The engine of the special train was smashed. John M. Tippling, of Lincoln, a commercial traveler, was caught in the caboose and killed. The special was provided with another engine and went on to York.

### HAD TO FOOT THE BILL.

George Foland Did Not Rob the H. M. White Store.

George Foland, the young man arrested at Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, for complicity in the robbery of the H. M. White pawn shop, is at liberty. He told the Iowa officers who caught him with the watches, that he was in the White robbery, and he was brought home at the expense of about \$10, but Foland put up collateral to pay that bill. He didn't want to stay in the Iowa jail and he spun the White yarn to avoid detention. Saturday he convinced the officers that he had nothing to do with the White affair. Foland has been in the employ of White, selling goods for him.

### Led the Cereal Men.

Frank M. Pratt, who has always been a Democrat, but in this campaign is a conscientious sound money man, opposed to repudiation in any form, from the start at war with the Popocrats, has the courage of his convictions. Saturday night in the great Republican parade the Decatur Cereal Mill and Elevator company, of which Mr. Pratt is president, had 32 men in line carrying gold standard umbrellas, and Mr. Pratt led the delegation astride a fine horse which was trimmed in glowing golden hue. Mr. Pratt and the Cereal Mill people are for "Old Glory" and sound money to a man.

### Death of Mrs. Hutchinson.

Mrs. Susan Hutchinson, wife of Thomas Hutchinson, died of consumption at 1:25 a. m. Monday, November 2, at her home, No. 344 Central avenue, aged 74 years. She leaves six children. They are Miles Fayette and Grace Hutchinson of this city, Stephen Hutchinson, Mrs. Warlick and Mrs. Allen of Clinton, and Mrs. Kitts of Bolldower. The body will be taken to Clinton Wednesday for burial.

### Death of an Infant.

Edgar, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Garver, died of lung fever at 10 o'clock Sunday night, November 1, at the family home, No. 508 East Prairie street, aged one year and six months. The funeral was held at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon from the residence, Rev. D. F. Howe of the First Methodist church conducted the services.

### Gave Bond.

Ed Schwab and Ed Dwyer of Christian, were before Justice Shorb today charged with stealing a Wabash train at Blue Mound. They will have a hearing on November 5. They gave bail in the sum of \$300 each. Warrants are out for Robert and George Robbins for the same offense.

### Flour Stolen.

During Saturday night eight 50-pound sacks of White Leaf flour were stolen from a freight car near the furniture factory. The Shellabarger company was loading the car for shipment to a customer. The doors were not sealed, as all of the flour had not been placed in the car.

### Death of Cleo Rucker.

Cleo, the 7-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Rucker, died of membranous croup this morning at the home of his parents five miles east of the city. The funeral was held from the North Fork church today, Rev. Morrison officiating.

### All Night Lunch.

The ladies of the Congregational church will serve oysters and lunch in the room north of Millikin's bank November 3, beginning at 4 p. m.

### Fatal Explosion.

Ashland, Pa., Nov. 2.—Six men were killed this afternoon by an explosion of gas in the Packer coal mine.

### At the election to-morrow the polls

will open at 7 a. m. and close at 5 p. m. Vote early.

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REPUBLICAN STATE TICKET.  
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Clerk of the Third Judicial District,  
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For Congress, JAMES A. CONNOLLY  
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For Station Attorney, Isaac R. Mills  
For County Clerk, David L. Foster  
For Coroner, Jesse E. Bendure  
For Surveyor, George V. Loring

WANTED—Work by millions of un-  
employed Americans, thrown out  
of employment by millions of work-  
men in other countries, whose pro-  
duct comes here under the Wilson  
bill, and who buy what they eat from  
farmers from their own countries,  
and what they wear and use in fur-  
nishing their homes from foreign  
merchants. These American work-  
men are out of work, and many of  
them out of money, too. With the  
McKinley times of 1892 back again,  
employment is guaranteed. But they  
want work now, and want it badly.  
Payment in any money of the United  
States government today, silver,  
paper, or gold, too cents to every dol-  
lar, will be entirely satisfactory.

AMERICA FOR AMERICANS.

\$250 Reward.

Nineteen men who are in favor of open-  
ing the mine to the free coinage of 50-cent  
dollars with full legal tender so that the  
debtor may legally defraud his creditor  
out of one-half the debt and that the gov-  
ernment shall disgrace itself by paying its  
debts in 50-cent dollars, and who are sup-  
porting a platform which proposes to rip  
up the courts and make them pure parti-  
san machines, have signed a statement  
offering \$250 to any one who will fur-  
nish evidence to secure the conviction of  
any man who shall violate the election  
laws.

Upon its face the proposition may look  
well enough. Every patriotic citizen is  
in favor of the punishment of those who  
violate the election laws but what oc-  
casion is there for these gentlemen making  
such an open parade of their patriotism  
at this particular time? Who is propos-  
ing to violate the law? Is this community  
impressed that these men who say that  
they are willing to pay the enormous sum  
of \$12 1/2 apiece for evidence that will con-  
vict so one of fraud would stand up  
and help to convict one of their own  
members or party if he were guilty of  
fraud in the election. They have had op-  
portunities in this community to do it,  
but not one of them came to the front with  
either money or counsel in aid of con-  
viction. Did any of them give aid or com-  
fort to those who were engaged in con-  
victing Joe Mackin of wholesale ballot-  
box stuffing in Chicago? Did any of them  
at any time raise his voice against the at-  
tempts of their party leaders to profit by  
that fraud in electing United States sena-  
tor? Did they defend or malign Gov.  
John M. Hamilton for refusing to issue  
a certificate of election as state senator to  
Brand, who was the beneficiary of the  
Mackin fraud? Have they advocated the  
conviction of Ross McKane and over 100  
of his kind who were convicted in New  
York and Chicago for fraud at the polls?  
Unless they can show a clear  
record in any one or all of these cases it  
follows that their present proclamation

of anxiety to convict somebody of fraud  
in the coming election falls as a bold faced  
piece of buncombe for the purpose of cast-  
ing reproach upon those who have always  
stood for a fair and free ballot, or else for  
the purpose of throwing dust to obscure  
an effort to commit fraud.

It is well known here and everywhere  
in this district that Banker Caldwell, the  
millionaire, is trying to buy his way  
into congress. It is his only hope and he  
has not hesitated to try to break into con-  
gress in this way. The gentleman who  
signed this proclamation know this. Do  
they raise any cry against such methods?  
There are some in the list of 19 names  
who are handling Caldwell's money.  
Have they shown any disposition to turn  
state's evidence? No, and yet they have  
the audacity to sign a proclamation of  
this character.

Only last week a citizen of Decatur,  
riding south on an Illinois Central train  
near Assumption and other towns along  
that line, on a day when five silver meet-  
ings had been held and the speakers at such  
meetings met on the train going south,  
overboard these speakers discuss a plan  
that the free silverists in this state had  
adopted to carry the state for Altgeld and  
for congressmen in close districts, by  
wholesale fraud at the ballot boxes where  
ever it could be worked. This plan was  
to steal or secure by collusion one official  
ballot at a precinct and start the endless  
chain ballot plan for buying votes mak-  
ing the ballot outside of the polls as it  
was to be voted when the voter should  
conceal the marked ballot, go into the  
polling place, secure a ballot from the  
judge, go into the booth, substitute that  
ballot for the one concealed on his person  
and vote it. While he carried the ballot  
secured from the judge outside, where it  
was to be marked as the vote buyer de-  
sired it should be voted, which was to be  
given to another voter who would go into  
the polls and vote through the same process.  
No. 1 had gone through and so on as long  
as there was a vote to buy. Are the peo-  
ple who signed this gratuitous proclama-  
tion looking out for that fraud which the  
free silverites have arranged to perpetrate  
not only in Chicago but in the country?

It is fair to presume that this proclama-  
tion does not cover that little affair but it  
would be well, yes, it is the duty, having  
this warning, of every judge of election in  
Macon county to look out for this thing.  
It is going on and is as likely to be at-  
tempted here as elsewhere, and every  
judge should look out for it. The way to  
defeat it is to keep run of the initials of  
the judge on the ballot when the voter  
brings his ballot to the ballot box and  
change judges who put their initials on  
the ballot every few minutes. In that  
case it would not be long until some fel-  
low would be caught attempting to vote  
a ballot that was marked on the outside  
of the polls, with the initials of the judge  
who did not give him the ballot. These  
things should be watched in Decatur at  
every polling place and watched closely  
all day. No man's honesty should be  
presumed in this instance. The election  
officers should be vigilant and see that no  
fraudulent voting of this kind is allowed  
to go by the carelessness of the election  
officials whose duty it is to protect the  
rights of the voters.

Every patriotic citizen is in favor of  
prohibiting fraud at the polls as well as  
prosecuting it after it has been committed,  
and an advertisement in glaring letters  
of a disposition to do such a thing bears  
about the same relation to honest elec-  
tions that the phylacteries of the Pharisees  
bore to the religion of Jesus Christ.

Tuesday the polls will open at 7 a.  
m. and close at 5 p. m. Vote early.

John R. Tanner.  
Since the attempt of Governor Altgeld  
and his henchmen to circulate that scur-  
rulous circular against John R. Tanner,  
the people of Illinois will tomorrow elect  
John R. Tanner governor of Illinois by  
the largest plurality ever given a Repub-  
lican candidate for governor in the state.  
The people believe in fair play and Alt-  
geld will run up against that fact.

Isaac B. Mills, David L. Foster, Jesse  
E. Bendure and George V. Loring, the  
Republican nominees for county offices,  
will all be elected by rousing majorities,  
1000 or over. No one doubts this, not  
even the Popocrats themselves. They one  
and all concede the county to the Republi-  
cans by 600. It may seem strange to some  
that so little has been said about the local  
ticket by either party. This is explained  
by the fact that the dangerous issue of  
cheap money has been forced on the peo-  
ple by the Popocratic party and this has  
overshadowed everything else. That  
proposition, for the safety of the govern-  
ment, as well as for its honor, had to be  
killed and every Republican addressed  
himself to that talk and in this they were  
aided by patriotic Democrats all over the  
country. But the county ticket named  
above will not suffer on that account but  
will be elected by the greatest majority  
ever given a county ticket. Vote straight  
and don't trade.

Every sound money man should re-  
member that it would avail nothing to  
elect McKinley and lose congress. Herein  
it is important that every man who wants  
sound money and prosperity should vote  
as enthusiastically for James A. Connolly  
for congress as for McKinley for president,  
and in addition to this he should vote in  
the same way for W. G. Cochran and  
James E. Sharrock for the house of rep-  
resentatives as that body will, this win-  
ter, elect a United States senator to suc-  
ceed Palmer, so the sound money man  
will not do his full duty unless he votes

for McKinley, Connolly, Cochran and  
Sharrock. A president without both  
branches of congress would be powerless  
to do anything toward restoring confi-  
dence and prosperity.

There is a beautiful situation among  
Popocrats in Springfield over the dastard-  
ly act of getting out the circular repre-  
senting Tanner killing a man and so on.  
They have been caught at it and now they  
are trying to shift the responsibility for  
originating it upon each other. E. A.  
Salvoly, who is the Popocrat candidate  
for clerk of the supreme court in this dis-  
trict against Caldwell of Lincoln, says  
Dose, the governor's private secretary, got  
it up, and now Dose comes out in the pa-  
pers and in a long narrative says Salvoly  
originated it and brought the cuts to him  
and he would have nothing to do with it,  
and that the governor had nothing to do  
with it. The facts are that Altgeld,  
Snively, and Dose were all in the dirty  
scheme. Evidence that settles this be-  
yond the possibility of mistake has been  
secured and both Salvoly and Dose have  
convicted themselves out of their own  
mouths. Knock out the gaud at the polls  
and save the credit of Illinois.

Tuesday the polls will open at 7  
a. m. and close at 5 p. m. Vote early.

The Republicans in Springfield were  
advised yesterday that the friends of  
Caldwell in Macon county were propos-  
ing to trade votes for the Republican  
county ticket for votes for Caldwell.  
Caldwell's friends will trade any part of  
the Democratic ticket, even Altgeld and  
Bryan, for votes for Caldwell, but Macon  
county Republicans are not in position to  
trade. They don't have to. They will  
carry the county for every candidate from  
McKinley to coroner by an overwhelming  
majority. Trading is bad business and  
no well meaning man will go into it.

Chairman Hinrichsen has telegraphed  
all the Popocratic county committees that  
"arrangements have just been made  
by which the Popocrats will carry Cook  
county." What are these "arrange-  
ments." Have they changed the minds of  
voters or is it an "arrangement" to do it  
by fraud. Our Decatur patriots who have  
signed the proclamation in which they  
offer \$250 to any one who will furnish  
conviction for election fraud had better  
turn their attention to Mr. Hinrichsen  
and find out what "arrangements" he  
has made to carry Cook county.

It has been reported that the Popocrats  
are proposing to trade votes for the county  
ticket for votes for Caldwell. Our county  
ticket needs no such help as that. Every-  
one will be elected by overwhelming ma-  
jorities anyway and Republicans are not  
in the habit of trading something for  
nothing. Macon county Republicans will  
elect its county ticket by over 1000 ma-  
jority and give Connolly just as great a  
majority.

The election tomorrow is the most im-  
portant we have ever had and every man  
who loves his country should abandon his  
business and take part in the battle for  
freedom and honest government. Every  
socialist and anarchist and every man  
who wants revolution in America will be  
at the polls to vote the Popocrat ticket,  
and every patriot of all parties should be  
at the polls to put down the free booters.

Republicans will not trade to accommo-  
date Mr. Caldwell who is treacherous to  
his colleagues on the ticket with him, but  
they will go to the polls and proceed to  
wipe out the whole Popocratic family,  
and in the evening they will meet at the  
tabernacle to engage in the shout of victo-  
ry.

Major James A. Connolly has made a  
leader in congress. Why should this  
great district change the order by its vote  
on Tuesday? It will not do it, but the  
brilliant and honest Connolly will be re-  
turned.

Republicans, go to the polls tomorrow  
morning and stay there all day and work  
like patriots to down Popocracy so that it  
will never again raise its revolutionary  
head in free America.

The efforts of the Popocrats to elect a  
millionaire banker to congress is a most  
heartrending situation and speaks vol-  
umes for their honesty of purpose.

If Mr. Caldwell wants to trade keep  
him out of congress and let him follow  
his business, which is that of trading with  
his less prosperous neighbors.

That silver dog with the golden tail  
will be a sick cur Wednesday mornning.

Tuesday the polls will open at 7 a.  
m. and close at 5 p. m. Vote early.

Billie Bryan is in Nebraska at last.  
Ah, there, stay there. No say we all.

A curious custom.  
A strange custom prevails among the  
members of a certain tribe in the Cau-  
casus. When a single young man dies  
some one who has carried to the grave a  
marriageable daughter in the course  
of the year calls upon the bereaved  
parents and says: "Your son is sure  
to want a wife; I'll give you my daugh-  
ter and you shall deliver to me the  
marriage portion in return." A friend-  
ly offer of this description is never re-  
jected and the two parties soon come  
to terms as to the amount of the dowry,  
which varies according to the advan-  
tages possessed by the girl in her life-  
time. Cases have been known where  
the young man's father has given 30  
cows to secure a dead wife for his dead  
son.—Chicago News.

## POLITICAL MEETINGS.

Republican Ballies to be Held in  
Decatur and Vicinity.

Below are the official dates of Republi-  
can meetings to be held in the near fu-  
ture:

Night Meetings.  
At Gibson City, Ford county, Nov. 2 -  
W. F. Calhoun.  
At Boody, Nov. 2—A. H. Mills.

At the election to-morrow the polls  
will open at 7 a. m. and close at 5  
p. m. Vote early.

## PREPARE FOR DEATH'S COMING.

Hundreds of Healthy People Have Made  
Arrangements for Their Obsequies.

There are at least 200 people walking  
the streets of San Francisco, in good  
health and likely to live many years,  
who have already arranged the details  
of their funerals. They have selected  
the coffins in which they will be buried  
and paid cash for the same, as well as  
for the burial plot, hearse, etc.

Nearly every undertaker in the city  
has several contracts of this kind, and  
all of them are made by people who are  
supposed to be in rational frame of  
mind. Age seems to cut no figure, for  
some of the contracts are signed by men  
in the prime of life, who are noted for  
their cheerfulness and good disposi-  
tions. They have amply provided for  
their funerals to assure themselves that  
they will have decent interment. The  
undertakers think it nothing out of the  
way, but look upon it as sensible fore-  
thought. And, according to stories told,  
it has proved so in many cases. Men  
without families have dropped dead on  
the street, and had it not been for their  
arrangements with the undertakers  
they would have been buried in the pot-  
ter's field.

Some people have made arrangements  
for the minutest details of their funerals,  
even to the advertisements in the  
newspapers. There are a few people  
who have not been content with select-  
ing their coffins, but have had them  
sent to their homes. Such cases are rare,  
however.

"Yes, I have a good many contracts  
of that kind," said an undertaker, when  
speaking of the matter, "and in a great  
many cases they have proved to be good  
things. It is a sensible thing for any-  
body to do who has not a family to look  
after them when they are gone."

"I have collins in those cases there,"  
said he, pointing, "that were contracted  
for at least six years ago, and paid for  
at the time. It may be six years or  
sixteen years before they are wanted,  
but when the owner needs them they  
will be ready, and I will fulfill every  
part of the contract. It is not so long  
ago since I fulfilled a contract of this  
kind after I had the contract for sev-  
eral years. When the man made it he  
looked ready to die, and no doubt  
thought he would live only a few  
months. In this case the casket was  
a fine one and he paid cash for it. He  
also made arrangements for the grave,  
hearse, carriages, shroud and every lit-  
tle detail. He left letters saying that  
I would be his undertaker, and, of  
course, I was notified at once and did  
all I agreed to."

"But there are cases where I have to  
find out about the person's death my-  
self. I always keep watch of these  
events, of course, and as soon as I know  
of a case I have been paid for I go at  
once and attend to it. In more than  
one case I came as a surprise to your  
relatives, who were almost crazy won-  
dering how they were going to bury  
their dead."

"All kinds of people make these con-  
tracts—rich and poor, sick and well.  
Some think they are going to die soon  
and some are preparing for a thing a  
long way off. Sometimes both are  
right and sometimes just the reverse  
happens. You cannot tell anything  
about it. If a man is going to die on  
a certain day he is going to die, and if  
he isn't, why, he won't. That, I think,  
is the reason that many people want  
to be prepared for death when it does  
come."—San Francisco Call.



Mother-love is  
mixed with daily,  
hourly sacrifice.  
The love increas-  
es with the sacri-  
fice it entails.  
The more a  
mother suffers  
and endures for  
her little one, the  
more precious it  
becomes. She  
loves it because  
she has labored  
and suffered for  
it. The physical  
organs concerned  
in maternity af-  
fect a woman's  
constitution to a  
greater extent  
than any other  
half realized  
fact. Women are  
often treated spec-  
ially for sick head-  
aches, dyspepsia,  
melancholy, or what  
is supposed to be  
a liver or kidney af-  
fection or heart-  
disease, when in re-  
ality the whole trou-  
ble is with the re-  
productive organs.  
This delicate and  
intricate organism  
and the rational  
treatment for its  
peculiar ailments  
is a life study for  
the wisest physi-  
cian. Probably no  
practitioner living  
has a higher repu-  
tation in this spe-  
cial direction,  
than Dr. R. V. Pierce,  
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Physician of the  
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is the most per-  
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known for all "fe-  
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It gets at the  
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ble from the inside.  
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the internal or-  
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to health and regu-  
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One copy free to any address on receipt of 21 one-  
cent stamps to pay for mail only. World's  
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SPECIAL SALE At the  
Savings Bank Store  
TO FINISH THE MONTH OF OCTOBER.

We will give during the remainder of this month the Largest and Best Bar-  
gains ever offered in Decatur in DRY GOODS, CLOTHING, GENTS' AND  
LADIES' FURNISHING GOODS AND MILLINERY.

## BARGAINS!

## DRESS GOODS DEPARTMENT.

2500 yds. Outing Flannel, price 6c, to finish this month with at  
2000 yds. Gingham, price 7c, to finish this month with, at  
2500 yds. Light Calicoes price 5c to finish this month with, at  
1800 yds. Electro Novelty Dress Goods, silk and wool mixtures, 30c and 40c,  
to finish this month with, at  
1500 yds. all wool dress goods, price 50c, for this sale  
1200 yds. Mohair Brilliantines, in light colors, price 40c, to close out the  
balance of the month at  
1500 yds. Black Henriettas, silk finish, price 75c, to close out at  
75 Ladies' Colored Wrappers, price \$1.00, to close out at  
Special Sale in Ladies' and Children's Jackets.

25 Ladies' Jackets, medium weight, price \$12.00, to close out the month  
with, at  
20 Ladies' Jackets, light colors, price \$8.00, to close out the month with, at  
25 Ladies' fine heavy Beaver Jackets, large sleeves, latest styles, for this sale at 75c  
only.

## Ladies' Cloth and Plush Capes.

25 Ladies' fine Cloth Capes, double collars, fancy trimmings, price \$1.00, this  
sale at  
20 Ladies' heavy Beaver Capes, price \$6.00, this sale  
12 Ladies' heavy Plush Capes, fancy trimmings, high storm collar, this sale  
only.

## ...MILLINERY...

## A Fine Line of Millinery Now on Display.

10 Ladies' fine Pattern Hats, worth \$8.00, at  
15 " " Trimmed Hats at  
20 " " fine Trimmed Hats, worth \$3.00, at  
24 " " " " 4.00, at  
15 " " " " 5.00, at  
Fine Black Quills, worth 10c, at  
Finest black and shaded Quills, worth 15c and 20c, at  
Birds, Ties, Agrettes, Veils, Ribbons, Etc., at less than One Half  
the prices elsewhere.

## CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.

25 Men's Gray Suits, nobby styles and well made, price \$7.00, to close out  
this month with, at  
20 Men's Dark Gray Suits, better grade, would be cheap at \$9.00, to close  
out this month with, at  
24 Men's heavy winter suits, price \$12, for this sale at  
25 pair Men's good working pants, warranted not to rip or tear, price  
\$1.25, to close out this month with, at  
20 pair Men's heavy Cotton Worsted Pants, fleeced back, price \$1.50, for  
this sale at  
25 pair Men's all wool Pants, nobby stripes, well made, price \$2.50, for  
this sale  
30 pair Men's strictly all wool Pants, as good as custom made pants, price  
\$1.00, this sale at only

## ALWAYS SELLING GOOD GOODS AT LOW PRICES.

This is the only store in the city to save money on all Dry Goods, Clothing, Gents'  
Furnishing Goods, Jackets and Millinery. A DOLLAR SAVED IS MORE  
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The Best Alarm Clock Made, Only \$1---Warranted.

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must be told in the public interest, and  
the truth about carpets is that our  
stock of floor coverings generally is  
a veritable fairyland of new patterns  
and attractive novelties. The price is  
too much in evidence to be made  
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the quality of the carpet to be re-  
garded. Study comfort, convenience  
and economy by looking over our cat-  
alogues for the floor. The action will  
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900 yd. lot of Oil Cloths, 18 to 25c.  
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# Choice of 500 New Stylish Overcoats. Choice of 500 New Stylish Suits.

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Never could \$10, \$12, \$15 buy such Elegant Suits or Overcoats as we are selling this season.

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Boys' All Wool Suits, age 6 to 15, at \$2.50, \$3, \$3.50 and Upward.

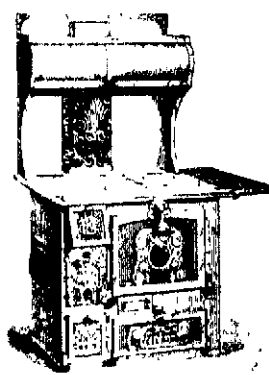
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In addition to these we have in suits left over from last fall and this spring, light and dark medium weight Cassimere and Scotch Suits—regular \$8 and \$10 goods—which are also offered now at \$5.00

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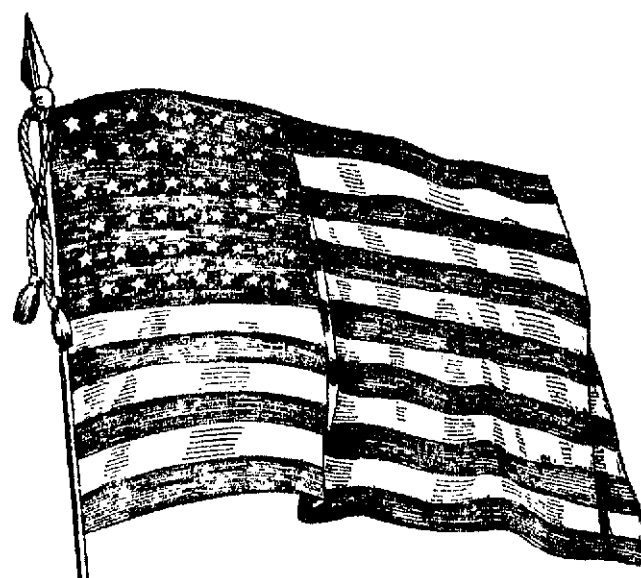
222 NORTH MAIN STREET,

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The Only Clothing Store on North Main Street,

# FLAG DAY PARADE.

Republican Demonstration Saturday Night the Finest of the Campaign.



## PAGEANT MILITARY IN STYLE AND ACTION

A Brilliant and Patriotic Spectacle Witnessed by 25,000 People—Procession Fifty Blocks Long. Decorations and Features.

Saturday night until nearly the midnight hour all Decatur, particularly along the line of march, was alive with Republican patriotism. It was the occasion of the closing patriotic demonstration of the most important political campaign in the history of the country since the anxious days of 1861, and the demonstration in its size and enthusiasm was evidence of the deep concern of the people in the result of the election tomorrow. It was largely a home rally, though there were delegations in line from Danville, Clinton, Monticello, Mt. Pulaski and Latham. In brief, it may be said that it was the finest appearing and best managed torchlight parade Decatur has ever witnessed. It moved with a military swing under the direction of Colonel Frank P. Wells, the chief marshal, and his assistants, and all along the entire route unbounded enthusiasm prevailed, shouts for McKinley and Hobart and Tanager being heard above the music of the many bands, the steam whistles, the fife and drums, the noise of the tin horns, the booming of the cannon and the whizz and whirr of the fireworks. It was a memorable night. For hours the streets and sidewalks were thronged with thousands of admiring home and visiting people. After they had stood at one point to see the pageant pass as one person they hastened to the next nearest street on the route to again feast their eyes on the long vista of dancing lights, the many floats, the figures in fantastic garb, the stately bearing of the paraders, and to again hear the cornet and martial bands play patriotic selections. All were pleased with the great success of the demonstration. Even the opposition had to admit that it outshone anything they had ever attempted and would discount any effort they might make in the future. And there was genuine spirit and earnestness connected with the whole affair. It extended from the front to the end of the long column, and thrilled the hearts of Republican men and women as they thought of Tuesday and victory.

How long was the column? Oh, about fifty blocks. And how many were in line? By actual count there were 3065 in the parade, counting everybody, as the column moved west on William street, past the Library block. When the head of the column had gone on to Pine street, down to Main and east to Lincoln square, on to Water and north to Park, the end of the column was still crossing Water street on William, and to avoid running into the rear of the pageant Colonel Wells led the paraders out on South Park to Franklin, then north to Water street and westward to College hill. The time in passing was 35 to 40 minutes.

**The Procession.**  
The following was the order of the different delegations, bands and floats:  
Platoon of Police,  
Chief Marshal Wells and Six Aides.  
**First Division.**  
W. J. Wayne, Commander.  
Goodman's band.  
Young Men's Sound Money Club of Decatur, Major W. H. Elwood, Commanding.  
Big Decatur Horn.  
Drum Corps.  
F. M. Pratt Cereal Mill and Elevator Sound Money Club.  
Steam Whistle.  
Fireworks Wagon.  
White Leaf Sound Money Club.  
Commercial Travelers' Sound Money Club.  
Carriages with Republican Ladies.  
Private Carriages.

**Second Division.**  
Geo. S. Dorfee, Commander.  
Gopher Martial Band.  
G. A. R. Members with Lanterns.  
Steam Whistle, Third Ward Standard.  
Float of Washburn Railroad Shops.  
Railroad Men's Sound Money Club.  
Body Cannon.  
**Third Division.**  
Ed E. Wells, Commander.  
Decatur Drum Corps.  
Danville Marching Club.  
Gorman's Band of Clinton.  
Men and Women from Clinton and Vicinity.  
Clinton Drum Corps.  
DeWitt County McKinley and Warner Club.  
Marion Drum Corps.  
Marion Delegation.  
Tanner's Band of Monticello.  
Monticello Marching Club.  
Both my Band.  
Mt. Pulaski Military Band.  
Mt. Pulaski Club.  
Latham Band.  
Delegation from Latham and Vicinity.  
**Fourth Division.**  
A. J. Gallagher, Commander.  
Modern Woodman Band of Decatur.  
McKinley Marching Clubs of Decatur.  
Delegation from Oklahoma.  
Float of Altgeld Prison Cigar makers.  
Bill Starr Tanager Club Drum Corps.  
Bill Starr Marching Club.  
Cannon.  
**Fifth Division.**  
S. T. Nesbit, Commander.  
Keele Bros. Drum Corps.  
High School Sound Money Club.  
Bicycle Tandem and Negaphone.  
Mixer Float Representing the States.  
Blue Mound Band.  
Blue Mound Marching Club.  
Float of Young Ladies from Elwin.  
**Sixth Division.**  
Rudolph Protoski, Commander.  
German McKinley Club of Decatur.  
Sixth Ward Marching Club.  
**Seventh Division.**  
J. B. Ballard, Commander.  
Decatur Horsemen.  
Horsemen from Long Creek and Vicinity.  
Private Equipages.

The members of the Young Men's Sound Money club made a splendid showing and won golden commendation from everybody. The organization was by its superb bearing, its hundreds of golden hued umbrellas and the flaming torches of victory; there seemed to be no end to this section of the parade as the column swung along with the conquering hosts through the streets bordered with a surging mass of people.

And then came the Commercial Traveling Men's club with red, white and blue umbrellas and torches, keeping perfect step to the music. They made a fine showing and kept things lively all the way. The Union Veterans and the different companies of the McKinley regiment, including the Oklahoma contingent, were in it to the end.

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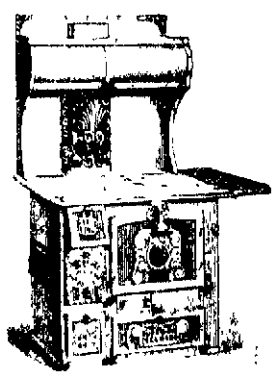
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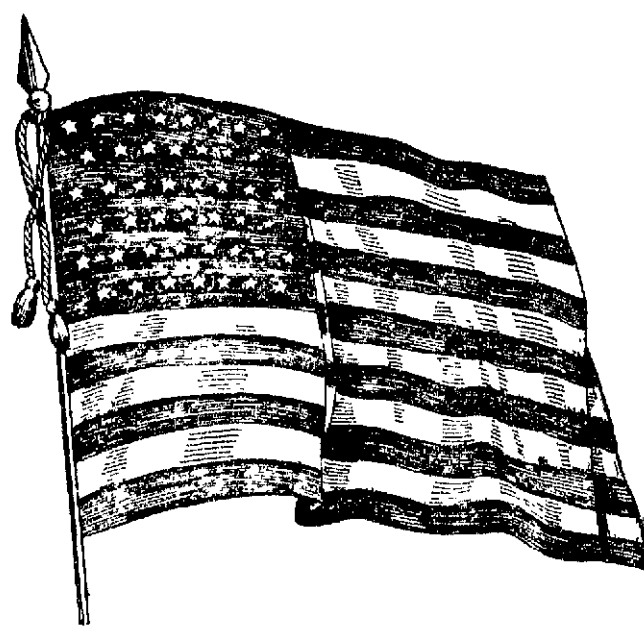
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## PAGEANT MILITARY IN STYLE AND ACTION

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Saturday night until nearly the midnight hour all Decatur, particularly along the line of march, was alive with Republican patriotism. It was the occasion of the closing patriotic demonstration of the most important political campaign in the history of the county since the anxious days of 1861, and the demonstration in its size and enthusiasm was evidence of the deep concern of the people in the result of the election tomorrow. It was largely a home rally, though there were delegations in line from Danville, Clinton, Monticello, Mt. Pulaski and Latham. In brief, it may be said that it was the finest appearing and best managed torchlight parade Decatur has ever witnessed. It moved with a military swing under the direction of Colonel Frank P. Wells, the chief marshal, and his assistants, and all along the entire route unbounded enthusiasm prevailed, shouts for McKinley and Hobart and Tanner being heard above the music of the many bands, the steam whistles, the fife and drum, the noise of the tin horns, the booming of the cannon and the whiz and whirr of the fireworks. It was a memorable night. For hours the streets and sidewalks were thronged with thousands of admiring home and visiting people. After they had stood at one point to see the pageant pass as one person they hastened to the next nearest street on the route to again feast their eyes on the long vista of dancing lights, the many floats, the figures in fantastic garb, the stately bearing of the paraders, and to again hear the cornet and martial bands play patriotic selections. All were pleased with the great success of the demonstration. Even the opposition had to admit that it outshone anything they had ever attempted and would discount any effort they might make in the future. And there was genuine spirit and burrah connected with the whole affair. It extended from the front to the end of the long column, and thrilled the hearts of Republican men and women as they thought of Tuesday and victory.

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#### LOCAL NEWS.

Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.  
 The Grand Opera House cigars made by Johnny Weiland are the best in town. Each 25-dt.  
 Smoke the Little J., a fine hand made, Sumatra wrapper—5 cent cigar.  
 Elegant stock of fine Perfumery. West's Drug Store.  
 Largest stock and lowest prices on Face Powders. West's Drug Store.  
 The uptown office of the Decatur Coal company is at Armstrong Bros.' drug store corner of North Main and William streets. Telephone 452.—Oct 8-dt.  
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 Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Ben L. Howenstein, Nov. 2, a son.  
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 R. C. Lanning went to Monticello this morning on business.  
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**A Fall.**  
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 The remains of the son of Dr. Leslie, of Elwin, who died at Kankakee, were brought home this morning for burial. The funeral was held this afternoon at the residence and the interment was at Mt. Gilled cemetery. Mr. Leslie was 22 years old.  
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### THREE LATE SPEECHES.

Mrs. Worthington, Mr. Kretzinger and Mr. Fox at the Tabernacle.

It was after 10 o'clock before the parade was nearly at the finish, and then Captain Lytle and Major Badenhausen, with the speakers, appeared on the stage at the tabernacle to conclude the program of the holiday rally night. The room was nearly filled even at that late hour and more kept coming. The exercises opened with singing by the McKinley club. Two selections were given.

Mrs. Fanny B. Worthington, of Streator, spoke eloquently and with spirit and energy for an hour and stirred up the people thoroughly. She pronounced the parade the finest she had witnessed anywhere during the campaign, and then paid splendid tributes to the glorious record of the Republican party, to Major McKinley and Captain Tamm. Briefly she referred to the tariff and money questions, and told a number of good stories to illustrate telling points. Mrs. Worthington, like the major part of the people, thinks there is nothing the matter with the American dollar, except that we can't get our hands on it because the mills are closed, business is depressed, and confidence checked by the utterances of the Popocrats. Mrs. Worthington was enthusiastically applauded and was given three rousing cheers at the close.

George W. Kretzinger, of the Monon railway company, spoke half an hour and poured hot shot into the Popocrats and Altgeld. He declared that John P. had simply been performing the duties of a pardon clerk in Illinois for four years—that the chair of governor had been vacant. Mr. K. produced documents to back up his declarations.

Hon. G. E. Ross, of Chicago, congressman for the Seventh district, made the closing speech, which was well received.

### Post-Mortem Examination.

Yesterday Dr. James L. Boyans performed a post-mortem examination on the body of Thomas Hall, the man found dead in the river at the Walnut bridge. Coroner Bendure ordered the post-mortem so that a more thorough examination of the man's skull could be made. It was found that the skull was not broken at the place where the snail was out but the base of the skull was badly fractured. The blow which caused the rent did not make a fracture under it. The fracture at the base of the brain was amply sufficient to cause death. It might have been caused by the man falling and striking on his feet. Both the coroner and the examining physician were of the opinion that the man was not killed by the train for if this had been the case the skull would have been fractured in a different manner. Coroner Bendure has not received any answer from the relatives of the man, whom he notified. The body will be kept, however, until some directions as to its disposition is received from the relatives.

### Special McKinley Badges.

W. M. Allison, a veteran of the late war, is the proud possessor of a McKinley button badge, which shows the home of the next president as it appears at Canton, with the miniature portraits of the Major and his wife sitting on the front porch. To the button is attached a small red, white and blue ribbon. Mr. Allison sent Major McKinley a letter of good wishes and in return came two of the badges and a personal letter from Captain Boyce, the Major's private secretary, acknowledging the receipt of the letter in grateful terms. One of the badges Mr. Allison presented to Captain Duren.

### Defeated at Springfield.

The high school football team was defeated at Springfield Saturday by the team of that city the score being 36 to 0. The Decatur boys, however, could not be censured for being beaten as the Springfield players were much larger men, weighing all the way from 140 to 180 pounds. Considering the great difference in the size of the players the Decatur team did good work and made some good plays.

Owing to the sharp advance in price of flour, we have advanced the price of bread as follows:

One loaf..... 4 cents  
 Three loaves..... 10 cents  
 Six loaves..... 20 cents  
 Eight loaves..... 25 cents

For sale at all grocery stores that handle bread.

DECATUR CRACKER CO.

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Died at Kankakee.

The remains of the son of Dr. Leslie, of Elwin, who died at Kankakee, were brought home this morning for burial. The funeral was held this afternoon at the residence and the interment was at Mt. Gilled cemetery. Mr. Leslie was 22 years old.

Fred Holtzman of Pontiac, has accepted a position as civil engineer in Colorado.

## INSURING ROYALTY.

A Peculiar and Little Known Form of Speculation.

A peculiar and little known branch of insurance is that indulged in by private persons, who insure the lives of royalties for their own benefit. From the standpoint of the individual it is, of course, pure speculation. The royalty insured may obligingly depart this life shortly after the insurance is effected, in which case there is quite a respectable sum netted; or, on the other hand, he or she may persist in lingering to a good old age, when the insurer benefits but little. But taking out a policy on the life of a royal personage is, on the average, a pretty good "spec."

This is how it is done: You, gentle reader, wish to insure the prince of Wales (we will say) for the sum of \$500. You fill up a proposal form for that amount in the name of "H. R. H. Albert Edward, prince of Wales, duke of Cornwall," etc., and forward it to a company which accepts this kind of insurance. All companies, it must be noted, do not issue policies on royalties' lives to private individuals, but many in quite the first rank do.

On receipt of your proposal the company will inform you of the rate per cent, at which the premium will be charged; then, if you are willing to pay this rate, which is a fairly high one, a policy will be issued in the usual way. Most policies of this kind are "without profits"—i. e., there are no bonus accretions.

Although there are no statistics on the subject, and accuracy of statement is therefore impossible, it is quite probable that the life of her majesty the queen is insured hundreds of times in this manner. The same thing is true to a modified extent, of most of the other members of the royal family.

The duke of Cambridge, for instance, has been for the past 20 years a favorite "subject" with insurance speculators. The reason is obvious; but the rate is, as may be supposed, very high. Many companies also accept proposals on the lives of members of foreign royal houses.

A few days ago a policy on the joint lives of the duke of Cambridge and the ex-king of Hanover for the sum of \$1,000 was in the market. The Hanoverian monarch is dead and the policy will be paid on the death of the former. It fetched a large sum. On the same day a policy on the joint lives of her majesty the queen and the duke of Cambridge was also disposed of.—London Tit-Bits.

### Diphtheria Death.

Mabel Swartz, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Swartz, died of diphtheria this morning at the home of Andrew Shoemaker. This is the second child that Mr. and Mrs. Swartz have lost during the past week. The burial took place this morning at Greenwood cemetery.

### Bill for Divorce.

In the office of the circuit clerk today Mary Willis filed a bill for divorce from her husband, Joseph C. Willis. Deserter in mentioned as the cause for divorce. The couple were married in Springfield January 31, 1893.

### Married.

On Sunday, Nov. 1, by Justice Shorb, Walter D. Clesgen and Miss Jennie Miller, both of Decatur.

### For Rent.

A large, comfortable and conveniently arranged house of ten rooms, and equipped with all modern requirements, located three blocks south of St. Nicholas hotel. Apply to C. M. Imboden.—2-dt

Mrs. Ellen Vaughn, of Philo, died last Wednesday very suddenly, from nourishment of the stomach.

### MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

No market to-morrow—election day.

Vote early.

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 2, 1896.  
 The Republicans are expected to win in grain, provisions and stocks, with correspondents to Chicago, New York, Minneapolis and St. Louis for the following market quotations:

	Open- ing	High- est	Low- est	Clos- ing
Wheat—				
October.....	78 1/2	79 1/2	78 1/2	78 3/4
November.....	78 1/2	79 1/2	78 1/2	78 3/4
May.....	78 1/2	79 1/2	78 1/2	78 3/4
Cor.—				
October.....	25 1/2	26 1/2	25 1/2	25 3/4
November.....	25 1/2	26 1/2	25 1/2	25 3/4
May.....	25 1/2	26 1/2	25 1/2	25 3/4
Oats—				
October.....	18 1/2	19 1/2	18 1/2	18 3/4
November.....	18 1/2	19 1/2	18 1/2	18 3/4
May.....	18 1/2	19 1/2	18 1/2	18 3/4
Rye—				
October.....	8 1/2	9 1/2	8 1/2	8 3/4
November.....	8 1/2	9 1/2	8 1/2	8 3/4
May.....	8 1/2	9 1/2	8 1/2	8 3/4
Barley—				
October.....	4 3/4	5 1/4	4 3/4	4 5/8
November.....	4 3/4	5 1/4	4 3/4	4 5/8
May.....	4 3/4	5 1/4	4 3/4	4 5/8
Dec. wheat, puts, 68 1/2; calls, 81 1/2; curb 74 1/2.				

### TO-DAY'S RECEIPTS—CASH COTTS.

Wheat—22, Estimated, 150. Year ago, 613.  
 Corn—320; Estimated, 775, a year ago, 541.  
 Oats—681; Estimated, 375, a year ago, 471.

### ESTIMATED FOR WEDNESDAY.

Wheat, 105; Corn, 71; Oats, 400.

LONDON, 1 p. m.—Off coast: Wheat, steady; corn, quiet. On passage: Wheat, firm but not active, corn quiet but steady. English country markets generally cheaper, at lower. French country markets quiet and steady.

A later dispatch from London says: "Wheat closed firm, 3d 1/2 higher."

Hog receipts 10,000; estimated 31,000. Market higher.

Light, \$3.00; heavy, \$3.25; mixed, \$3.15; heavy \$3.50; rough, \$3.10; \$3.15.

Estimated for Monday, 12,000.

Cattle receipts 12,000; market strong.

### NEW YORK MARKET.

New York, Nov. 2.—Wheat, 81 1/2; Corn, 24 1/2; Oats, 16 1/2.

New York, Nov. 2.—Butter, steady, 83 1/2; Eggs, steady, 17 1/2.

### ST. LOUIS MARKET.

St. Louis, Nov. 2.—Wheat, cash, No. 2, 70c; Dec, 70 1/2c; Corn, cash, 22 1/2c; May, 27c; Oats, cash, 16 1/2c; May, 22 1/2c.

### PEORIA QUOTATIONS.

Peoria, Nov. 2.—Corn, firm; No. 2 white, 24c; Oats, firm, No. 2, white, 21 1/2c; Rye, firm, 35 1/2c.

# .....ANOTHER GREAT..... Bargain Week! In Jackets, Capes and Dress Goods.

It has always been our desire to make every customer a steadfast friend by offering to him or her every convenience possible. We are at present so situated that we cannot offer as many conveniences to our friends as we would like, but we are positive that we can offer BETTER VALUES than any house in the city. Don't take our word for it, visit our temporary store and be convinced.

## Wonderful Sale of Winterwear.

**ATTRACTION NO. 1.**—About 130 \$10.00, \$12.00 and \$13.50 Ladies' Jackets, plain English. Korseys, bonole effects, Irish frieze cloths in the new golden brown, green and navy mixtures and beaver cloths. New sleeves and back, either coat or storm collars; our latest invoice of this year's novelties. Your choice for..... **\$6.49, \$7.98, \$8.98**

**ATTRACTION NO. 2.**—About 150 \$8.00, \$7.98 \$10.00 Ladies' Capes, either single or double, beaver capes, trimmed with rows of silk braid, or fur edge; boucle capes, black or navy. Your choice for..... **\$3.49, \$3.98, \$4.98**

**ATTRACTION NO. 3.**—Large and varied assortment \$15.00, \$16.50, \$20.00 and \$22.50 Ladies' Jackets. All high class garments, every jacket a tailor made novelty. They show the quality at a glance. Your choice for..... **\$10.00, \$12.50, \$13.50, \$15.00**

**ATTRACTION NO. 4.**—Two full racks in this lot. Persian cloth capes, English melton capes, boucle cloth capes, novelty cloth capes, seal plush capes, fur trimmed, braid and jet trimmed, tailor strap trimmed. Your choice for..... **\$7.98, \$9.98, \$12.50**

**ATTRACTION NO. 5.**—About 175 blacks, navys, tans, medium and dark browns, greens and a bewildering variety of those jaunty and serviceable scotch mixtures, all made up with the latest collars, sleeves and fronts, all ages and sizes. Come and get your choice for..... **\$3.49, 4.98, 5.98, 7.98, 10.00**

## Immense Values in Dress Goods.

45c All Wool Scotch Suitings, late purchases, per yard..... 20c  
 65c Scotch Suitings, lizard weaves, 40 inches wide, per yard..... 40c  
 80c Dark Novelty Checks, German goods, per yard..... 30c  
 Our entire collection of 75c Black Novelties, all fine imported goods, per yard..... 50c

# LINN & SCRUGGS DRY GOODS & CARPET COMPANY.

### SPLENDID BURIAL CASKETS.

Complete Line of New Goods Shown by P. Perl & Son.

The firm of P. Perl & Son, funeral directors in the old tabernacle, corner Prairie and North Main streets, have in stock one of the most complete lines of undertaking goods to be found in any similar establishment in the west. Mr. Perl personally selected the goods and invites inspection as to quality, style and price. He is now ready to furnish anything in the line of modern caskets to suit anybody, prices ranging from \$8 to \$1000 and upward. A splendid line of the finest caskets of cedar and chestnut, beautifully lined and draped, are in the chapel and all are so arranged that they can be easily shown to all whose duty it may be to select burial cases and supplies generally. It will pay you to call at Perl & Son's establishment. One of the best caskets in "The State" with square corners. The firm has hoarse and carriage service as good as the best in the city.  
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## JUST A WORD TO MOTHER In the Little Ones' Behalf.

Parental Delight on top in minute variety at

## STINE'S.

Mothers will find best reward of care for and pride in children

by clothing them for School and Sabbath in some of our varied Fall provision for

### CHILDREN'S SUITS.

In the Market to Control It.

## The B. STINE CLOTHING CO.

Invites inspection of the following LEADING SPECIALTIES.

For ages 3 to 8, our "Duplex" double breasted Reefer or open front, at choice in fine all wool chevots, braided, at \$3, \$3.25, \$3.50, \$4 and \$4.50—the suit of heretofore unequalled value.

Elegant and novel blue worsted Sailor Suits, very chic and fetching, \$5.50.

Reefers in all wool and color grades—chinchilla, fancy chevot and astrachan, for winter wear of Toddlers who draw the line on ulsters, \$2.50 to \$5.50.

Just a Complete Line of Everything Needed by graduates of the nursery and candidates for school.

## Be Prepared for a SURPRISE ABOUT PRICES

When you come as children of older growth to investigate our prices in Men's and Youth's FALL OVERCOATS and FURNISHINGS by the

## B. STINE CLOTHING CO.,

245-249 NORTH WATER ST.

# ARC Potatoes

Just received a fresh car of fine potatoes, not withered or green.

## GROCERY D

Buyer's Deep Sea Baltimore

The Finest that come from the G

## SPECIAL FOR THIS WEEK

full measure, light color

Cranberries, 4 quarts for.....

ONIONS, per bushel.....

1 packages Condensed Mince

21 pounds FINE GRANULAT

GOLDEN RIO COFFEE, pou

Guaranteed as good as an

Country Butter, per pound.....

Dairy Butterine, per pound.....

Best Broken Java Coffee, pou

Grinsold's AAAA Coffee, pou

Sauer Kraut, gal.....

## BLACK DR

BLACK WOOL DRESS GOO

Double-Fold Black wave Hen

Double-Fold all wool Black

36 inch all wool wave Black

Fine all wool Black Tricot F

Heavy all wool Storm Serge,

45 inch all Wool Black Royal

46 inch all wool Imported B

Fine Black Storm Serge, 46

skirts and waists. Reg. 1

50 inch all wool Fine Import

All wool Black Brocades and

Fine all wool Brocades, fine

LININGS—Best Skirt Lining

Silesia, yd.....

Rustle Lining, yd.....

Collar Canvas.....

Fine French Sateen Silesias,

All Linen Canvas, yd.....

"Best" Fiber Interlining, yd

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# BULL'S

Is a remedy of ster  
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# ARCADE!

Potatoes PER BUSHEL 24c

Just received a fresh car of fine, solid, ripe northern potatoes, not withered or grub eaten, per bushel.... 24c

## GROCERY DEPARTMENT.

Ray's Deep Sea Baltimore Oysters, 15c, 18c, 20c, 25c, 30c  
The finest that come from the Gulf. Per Quart Can.

SPECIAL FOR THIS WEEK—2-gal. Bucket Arcade Drops, full measure, light color, per bucket..... 50c

Crabapples, 4 quarts for..... 25c  
ONIONS, per bushel..... 60c

4 packages Condensed Mince Meat for..... 25c  
21 pounds FINE GRANULATED SUGAR for..... \$1.00

GOLDEN RIO COFFEE, pound..... 25c  
(guaranteed as good as any 33c Coffee sold elsewhere.)

Country Butter, per pound..... 20c  
Dairy Butterine, per pound..... 12c

Best Broken Java Coffee, pound..... 15c  
Ginswald's AAAA Coffee, pound..... 20c

Sauer Kraut, gal..... 20c

## BLACK DRESS GOODS.

BLACK WOOL DRESS GOODS, per yd..... 8c  
Double Fold Black wove Henrietta, yd..... 19c

Double Fold all wool Black Serge, yd..... 25c  
36 inch all wool wove Black Serge, fine finish, yd..... 29c

Finest all wool Black Tricot Flannel, yd..... 25c  
Finest all wool Storm Serge, Extra good for Skirts, yd..... 39c

45-inch all wool Black Royal Serge, a beauty, yd..... 39c  
48-inch all wool Imported Black Serge, yd..... 48c

Finest Black Storm Serge, 46 inches wide, very best for skirts and waists. Reg. price 63c; Special, yard..... 50c

30-inch all wool Fine Imported Serge, Brilliant Finish, worth 65c. Our price..... 65c

All wool Black Brocades and Jacquards, worth 69c yd..... 50c  
Finest all wool Brocades, fine figures, lizard effects,..... 75c, 95c

FINES—Best Skirt Lining made, yd..... 37c  
Silesia, yd..... 12c, 15c

Best Lining, yd..... 8c  
Collar Canvas,..... 20c

Finest French Sateen Silesias, yd..... 25c  
All Linen Canvas, yd..... 15c, 20c

"Best" Fiber Interlining, yd..... 8c

# ARCADE.

## BULL'S Cough Syrup

Is a remedy of sterling value. It positively cures all Bronchial Affections, Cough, Cold, Croup, Bronchitis and Grippe. You can always rely on it. DR. BULL'S COUGH SYRUP is indispensable to every family. Price 25 cts. Shun all substitutes.

Chew LANGE'S PLUGS, The Great Tobacco Antidote, 10c. Dealers or mail A.C. Meyer & Co., Baltimore, Md.

## MONEY! MONEY! MONEY!

We Want It Now,  
And will give you best value in MILLINERY and LADIES' NOTIONS in the city.

## DECATUR BAZAR CO.,

139 East Main Street.

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FOR BARGAINS IN

Ladies', Children's and Men's Underwear,

GIVE ME A CALL.

H. C. Anthony  
DECATUR, ILL.

## TANNER ON CONVICT LABOR.

Great Speech of the Republican Candidate at Greenville.

Management of State Prisons Considered at Length—A Problem for Careful and Just Solution—Gov. Altgeld's Failure to Keep Promises—Extravagance of His Administration.

There was a great republican rally at Greenville, September 26, 15,000 people doing honor to Capt. John H. Tanner, Senator Cullum, and the candidates for state offices, all of whom were in attendance and made speeches. A day parade and a torchlight procession at night had thousands of marchers in line. Overflow meetings were necessary to let the speakers be heard.

In his speech Capt. Tanner said in part:

"The proper management of our state prisons deeply concerns all our people. The welfare of the state prisoners themselves, while presenting great problems for the administration, is not the most important of the questions which grow out of the management of our prisons. In what I say on this question I shall confine myself solely to the business aspects of the case and to the effect of the free and unlimited competition of convict labor with the free labor of the outside world."

"In the proper solution of this question the factory hands of this state are deeply concerned; but the men and the companies whose capital is invested in the lines of manufacture brought into this competition must also suffer. It is not only the interest of the state and the taxpayers, but the interest of the subject than the men they employ."

"The great question to be answered in determining upon a system of prison management, as I view it, is: How far should the matter of moving money out of the pockets of the taxpayers to the pockets of the men who are employed in the lines of manufacture be allowed to control against the rights and interests of the free labor of the state and of the men whose capital furnishes that labor employment? I do not pretend that this is an easy question to answer. It is a question which has been argued for years, and that a solution perfectly satisfactory to all the interests involved has not yet been suggested."

### To Protect Society Against Crime.

"Prisons are a part of the necessary machinery of justice. To protect society against crime, we must have courts and officers; we must have a police force; we must, for great emergencies, have a militia system that can be called upon when or where needed. As a part of this great machinery of justice, devoted to the protection of property and life and the preservation of the peace, we have our penitentiaries where convicted law breakers can be confined. All this machinery is properly regarded as a charge upon the taxpayers, which they pay for the protection of their property and life. No part of these government agencies has ever been regarded as a legitimate source of revenue; rather the reverse. People expect to pay for them, rather than that they shall be used to produce revenues for the state. The penitentiaries, where criminals are confined to keep them from preying upon society, ought not to be needlessly turned into engines for the degradation of free labor, any further, certainly, than that result is unavoidable. In other words, the competition of prison-made goods with the goods made by the honest and sturdy wage-earners of the state, who have families to support, and who, with all of us, are the burden of good citizenship, ought certainly to be reduced to the minimum, if it cannot be entirely avoided."

"Convict labor is to all intents and purposes slave labor. Its cost is the picture the state pays to maintain each prisoner, with food and clothing. This food and clothing is always at hand, and no luxuries are added except a stone cell with iron bars."

### Competition with Free Labor.

"Prison labor is not highly efficient, but its immediate cost to the state being practically nothing, and one which the state would have to meet just the same, whether the labor of the convict is employed or not, it is evident that no free laborer with a family could live on a plan above want, if subjected to unlimited competition with it. It is only the smallness of the prison labor product, as compared with the total product of the country, which renders its competition with free labor a matter of minor importance. If the output of prison labor were ten or twenty times as much as it is to-day, this question would be forced upon legislative attention in the same urgent manner that the question of cheap Chinese labor was, which involved exactly the same principle."

"It is worth while to remember that Gov. Altgeld, in his campaign for the governorship four years ago, loudly proclaimed it as one of his highest promises to relieve the wage-earners of this state from ruinous competition with the convict labor of our state penitentiaries. He did not say that the free market should not be impeded to work in competition with men behind prison walls."

"All through the campaign of 1892 Gov. Altgeld went up and down the state, sharply reprimanding the republicans having violated the constitution in such a manner, as he then claimed, such competition to be even to the very limited extent to which it had prevailed under a republican rule. The governor was prophetic in promises, and, as you will all remember, frequently spoke of a plan for using the convicts to build country roads for the farmers, so that prison labor might not displace free labor in any department of manufacture."

"I have no doubt this splendid plan procured Gov. Altgeld many thousands of votes among the wage-earners of this state. He was hailed as a new Moses upon this question. He made much pretension to having studied this and other 'live-gone' of the day, and he said he was going to have an inclusive mind and it was apt to master any subject which he seriously investigated. Hence, many of the wage-earners trusted and followed him."

"Now, my friends, let us check up the account and see how well Gov. Altgeld has kept his promises. He cannot fairly plead in this day of reckoning but that the problem of employing convict labor, with justice to all interests, is difficult at best, and that very wise statesmen have been unable to solve it satisfactorily. However true these things may be, he did not say so, but think them when he was seeking office and asking the wage-earners of Illinois to vote for him."

"I shall not pretend, as he did, that my election will bring in the workmen's millennium. I fear that happy day is yet far off. The lion and the lamb will probably repose together in our time. We should arrive, however, to keep the lion from eating up the lamb, and the problem of carefully harmonizing these incompatible factors will remain to perplex wise heads long after Altgeld and myself are dead and gone."

"I now affirm that instead of relieving free labor of the competition of prison-made goods, as he promised, Gov. Altgeld has greatly increased that competition; that, while he has failed to keep the prisons practically self-sustaining, as he found them, he has at the same time increased the capacity of his prison plant to produce about fourfold, and that he has thrown his prison-made goods upon the market in such a reckless way as to break down prices, to the great detriment of legitimate business. He has thus put the honest and sharp competition with many of its honest and industrious citizens."

"At a cost of about \$25,000 he placed in the Joliet prison a monster electrical engine, which furnishes four times the power required for the plant. All told, he has expended over half a million of dollars in fitting up manufacturing plants in the Joliet prison. The very latest and best machinery has been obtained in each department of manufacture. By this machinery the effectiveness of each prisoner has been greatly multiplied, and the output of his prison-made goods, when his plans are once in full operation, will be enormously increased. His prison at Joliet manufactures chairs, brooms, cigars, boots and shoes, harness, saddles, willow ware, casks and barrels and prepared stone. His prison furnishes pearl buttons, knit goods, brooms, hollow ware, and prepared stone. His chair plant at Joliet alone employs 419 prisoners, and its product the past year was very great."

"To make his prison labor more efficient, I am told, he hires a class of non-retarded men of each line of manufacture, paying them extra wages—higher wages than they could get outside—and by this means he is able to get more and better work out of the prisoners than he otherwise would, and is thus able to still further increase the competition."

**Extravagance Proven.**  
"The administration of the prisons has, in fact, been extravagant, as the following statement of prison expenditures for 30 years will show:

AMOUNT OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR JOLIET PENITENTIARY DRAWN FROM STATE TREASURY.

1866	.....	\$25,181.82	.....	\$79,629
1867-68	.....	207,327.18	.....	25,150
1868-69	.....	185,000.00	.....	32,150
1871-72	.....	208,832.18	.....	85,300
1873-74	.....	4,830,880.00	.....	47,650
1875-76	.....	95,000.00	.....	60,773
1877-78	.....	1,800,000.00	.....	67,462

"The worst thing about Gov. Altgeld's prison system is the manner in which he disposes of his prison-made goods. These goods are not put upon the market fairly and sold on their merits as prison products. Disguises are practiced. Certain persons or agents take these prison products and sell them under their own or other fictitious name. Traveling men hawk them about the state, and the competition with outside labor is thus made as sharp as possible. Parties are not even permitted to know they are buying prison-made goods."

"All the terrible consequences of having the great state of Illinois, in its household, a rival to the great state of New York in the manufacture of goods, is felt in many lines of trade. When the state makes an individual or a company in such a contest it is an unequal combat, and the result is not doubtful."

"If the state cannot get a high price, it must take a low one. If it cannot sell at a profit, it must sell at cost. If it cannot get cost, it will sell at a loss, and thus to the taxpayers of the state to make good its deficit. Thus, some of the very men and concerns, whose business the state ruins, may be called upon as taxpayers to make good the loss at which the very goods they are sold in competition with them. They are thus compelled to pay for the very poison that is sent to their life."

"Whatever may be the difficulties of the subject and I do not belittle them—all must admit that such a system is wrong in principle, and we know it has proved disastrous in practice, as many of the wage-earners and business men can testify."

"To be more specific, I am cordially informed that the sharp competition of these prison-made goods has broken down the prices of barrels and casks to an extent that the industry is practically destroyed in the city of Chicago. Many broom factories, in this state, have also had to shut down, because they could not compete with Gov. Altgeld's cheap broom factory down at Joliet. The same is true in other lines."

### Free Labor Shut Out of Employment.

"The Heywood-Murrell Rattan Company, which manufactured chairs on the West side, in Chicago, giving employment to 1500 men, I am told, has had to reduce the number of its employees about one-half, and those that remain get far less wages per day than they did before Gov. Altgeld threw his cheap, prison-made chairs on the market. The Wakefield Rattan company, of Chicago, has had, for the same reason, to shut down entirely, throwing 500 men out of employment."

"It might go on and specify the disastrous consequences of this prison competition in other lines. For instance, Gov. Altgeld's cheap prison-made cigars have caused bitter complaints from the manufacturers of the state, and it seems the governor has been at some trouble to get his product rid of the market by stealth and under the guise of which are fair neither to consumers nor to his free labor competitor."

"In the brick trade, saddlery and harness, boots and shoes, and other lines, there were the same bitter complaints. Prepared building stone is another prison product which comes in competition with the outside labor to a very large extent; and it has been alleged that Gov. Altgeld not only users of that product, a good example by actually patronizing the prison stone factory when he came to purchase stone for his City building in Chicago. That the prison stone was used in his building has never been denied. It is the governor did not him if purchase it, neither did he take measures to prevent its purchase and use by his contractors in the mammoth building he built and controlled."

"In a matter so difficult of solution, no candidate could safely, in advance, to himself down to a particular policy."

### Executive Should Be Free to Act.

"A governor of Illinois should hold himself free to adopt the policy that, in his opinion, would be best for the people and cannot act for one interest alone. Secret promises made in campaign to a campaign to different conflicting interests, while highly reprehensible from a moral point of view, are also to be condemned on every ground of good policy. They return after election to the voters, who make as Gov. Altgeld has now found out, I have done and will do no such thing, even if convinced that my election depends upon it."

"Besides, no policy can be put in successful operation by a governor alone without the cooperation of the legislature. It being the governor's province to 'recommend' and not to legislate, Gov. Altgeld was able to induce his democratic legislature of 1893 to adopt his views and make appropriations for his extensive manufacturing plants at the Joliet prison. But it is worth while to note that the last republican legislature of 1891 attached the following distinct proviso to the appropriation it made for the Joliet prison:

"Provided, that no part of this appropriation shall ever be used in starting new industries or in purchasing machinery for new industries in the penitentiary."

"As had beginning some times creates the equality of new industry of going on in the same direction. The state could not immediately abandon Gov. Altgeld's prodigious scheme of manufactures at Joliet without a vast sacrifice. The results of enormous expenditures would, by immediate abandonment, be practically destroyed. On the other hand, if the governor's policy is pursued and developed on the vast foundations which he has laid at Joliet, the prison will finally turn out ten times as much product to be sold in competition with free labor as it ever turned out before. The governor possesses a wonderful energy and vigor, which I have always admired, and his plans are correspondingly comprehensive. I confess I sometimes wish he would turn his great ability to better uses, or that he would really consecrate his powers to the welfare of the people, as he has so often promised to do."

### Prison Should Relieve Taxpayers.

"The state prisoners cannot be maintained in comfort and idleness. Their health demands some work, and the burden of their support should be made as light as possible upon the taxpayers of the state. I am informed that in some other states the prison labor is wholly devoted to the production of state supplies. Illinois has a

large number of public institutions, which consume a large product for which the state pays cash, or did pay cash before such payments were suspended under Gov. Altgeld. If the prisoners could be put to manufacturing articles for state consumption, while this would displace some of the product of free labor, it would be far less disastrous in its competitive consequences than the present system, under which run-down and broken-down market prices for the output of the prison make only a small per cent. of the total output of manufacturers in their several lines, they compel outside factories to meet their competition in the open market and come down to the level of convict labor prices. This would be avoided if a practical plan could be devised to set out prison labor at work upon state supplies. How far such a scheme is workable will probably depend largely upon the adaptability of Gov. Altgeld's vast machinery to that end, or its exchangeability for other machinery suitable for the purpose."

"While nothing definite can be assured now, I have no hesitancy in declaring that I unqualifiedly favor getting to a system as rapidly as possible which will reduce the competition of convict labor with the free outside labor of our state to the lowest minimum which is at all compatible with the other interests involved. Ways and means to do this must be devised, and while these means cannot now be definitely specified, a full comprehension of the great evils which Gov. Altgeld's bad system has forced upon public attention must be the foundation of every effort at reform."

## THE INVESTOR'S VIEW OF IT.

Refusing to Place Money in Illinois While Altgeld Is Governor—Losses and Contracts Cancelled—A Terrible Argument for Capt. Tanner.

Some time since a prominent firm of eastern capitalists, having surplus means at their disposal, wrote at Chicago agency to place a loan of considerable magnitude. The terms and conditions were all stipulated in the correspondence. In the course of a few months the Chicago house was enabled to effect negotiations complying with all of the requirements for placing the money. The papers were prepared and forwarded in the confident expectation that there could be no hitch in carrying out the deal. But the eastern capitalists had changed their minds. They returned the contract with acknowledgment of its satisfactory provisions, but added: "We have decided to make no investments in a state which has an anarchist for governor, while there is a possibility of his reelection."

The same Chicago agency held a loan for \$15,000 from a New York house, which it was supposed would be renewed because it was a profitable investment, but the New Yorkers—with out having any knowledge of the other transaction referred to—declined to make a renewal, and also wrote that "men who controlled money preferred to place it where there was not the danger from anarchist tendencies entertained by the governor of Illinois."

Other instances of a similar character could be cited by the score. They all show emphatically the solicitude that prevails in financial centers for the defeat of Gov. Altgeld because of his dangerous teachings. Business men of Illinois are beginning to realize that the election of Capt. John H. Tanner as governor is fully as important to the best interests of the state as the election of McKinley as president of the nation. Merchants and manufacturers all over Illinois are in receipt of letters from eastern correspondents earnestly urging work in behalf of Capt. Tanner, some of them declaring that upon his election hinges the success of many projects to place funds for investment in Illinois property or securities. They sound a note of warning to the careless or indifferent voter which ought to be effective.

## ALTGELD IS HIS TARGET.

Illinois' Governor the Text of a New York Sermon.

New York, Sept. 27.—Rev. Courtland Myers preached a sermon to-night on "Anarchy in the Chicago Platform," using for his text the plank in that document denouncing federal interference in strikes and riots.

"Everybody knows whose hand wrote it," said the minister. "If you look long enough at it the faces of Altgeld and his followers appear in the words. The enormity of this attack on the constitution and courts of the United States is side by side with the bold attack upon the eighth commandment; they are two of a kind—rotten nuts in the same shell."

"Be as charitable as you please, you cannot mistake the revolutionary character of this programme. The proposal to attack the supreme court and the protest against the use of constitutional power to suppress riot mean anarchy."

"Surely that is not a platform; it is a scaffold. The only king in this land is King Law. Allow the mob to drag him from his throne and you have riot and bloodshed and mob government. Mr. Cleveland was as much justified in his relation to the governor of Illinois as Abraham Lincoln was in his relation to the governor of South Carolina. In 1893 I sympathized with the Chicago strikers, but I could not love human liberty and sympathy with the lawlessness of the mob."

"That platform, if it means anything, means the privilege of another Altgeld to promote pillage and disturbance without any interference of a higher authority. It is the plank laid by traitorous hands. A man in Gravesend laid the same board when he said: 'Injunctions don't go here.' He walked on it to Sing Sing."

## THE VETERANS' TRAIN.

Chairman Bitch, of the republican state central committee, is in charge of the train bearing the distinguished veteran orators for McKinley and "sound money." Gens. Sickles, Howard and Alger, and Corp. Tanner, are accompanied by Capt. John R. Tanner, republican candidate for governor, the other candidates for state offices, and local speakers at points where stops are made. The train carries a motor car, from which salutes are fired and Tanner flags and McKinley buttons are scattered broadcast. Veterans of every shade of political faith turn out en masse to hear the heroes of the war, and to participate in the general enthusiasm aroused by the tour.

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Lincoln Herald—Mr. Marr of Middletown, who was tending near the creek hauling sand, has moved to Mr. Worth's farm near Burtonville and will busk corn during the season.

Your Boy Won't Live a Month.  
So Mr. Gilman Brown, of 34 Mill St., South Gardner, Mass., was told by the doctors. His son had lung trouble, following typhoid malaria, and he spent three hundred and seventy-five dollars with doctors, who finally gave him up, saying: "Your boy won't live a month." He tried Dr. King's New Discovery and a few bottles restored him to health and enabled him to go to work a perfectly well man. He says he owes his present good health to use of Dr. King's New Discovery, and knows it to be the best in the world for lung trouble. At West's drug store.

After abstaining from liquor for seven years Frank Jones of Corro Gordo died of delirium tremens, aged 69.

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## A WEATHER VANE CRAZE

It Raged Fiercely in a Connecticut Town Many Years Ago.

Mildness Relies of the Greer Epidemic Still Greet the Eye of the Visitor to the Antiquated Burg.

Only the oldest inhabitants can recall it now, but years ago a weather-vane epidemic swept through this country, and for a time it raged as fiercely as the lightning-bolt plague or the fancy hitching-post curse of more recent years.

Every house and everything fell before it. Churches, barns and meeting-houses all bore the badge of the malady, and farmers, vestrymen and volunteer firemen revelled in the weather vane until it almost became a habit with them.

Like the metallic but hollow wild beasts that ten years ago roamed over the front yards of the land and then suddenly returned to their native haunts in the iron foundries, the weather vane ran its course and the epidemic passed away without seriously affecting the nation's health or prosperity.

In some places the relics of that era are still to be found, and for the collector of antique weather-vanes no locality offers such promise of a fruitful and beautiful harvest as Stratford, Conn. The seat of the whole malady seems to have been located in that quiet little New England village, and for miles around it raged with unabated fury long after the rest of the country had recovered.

Within two miles of Orange, a tiny suburb of Stratford, there are dozens of weather-vane monstrosities still standing. They blossom on either side of the road and from every barn and farmhouse. There are bronze arrows and helmets, wooden race horses, warped Venuses and stunted Apollos. But the gem of the collection undoubtedly is a weather-beaten old Cupid impaled on the sharp end of a stick high above the gables of a weather-beaten old barn. From the general outline it is supposed that it originally was intended as a cross between a cherub and a Cupid, but some excellent authorities hold that the vane is really a reproduction from a well-known photograph of Gabriel taken while he was still in short "pants." This theory is based upon the fact that the figure holds in his hands a trumpet instead of the orthodox quiver and bow. Those who oppose this view, insist that the trumpet is not a trumpet, but merely a dinner horn which the architect playfully put there to tease the laziest but hungry hired man.

To the casual tourist who is not a student of weather-vanes the mongrel Cupid seems more like the living example of some new brand of haberdashery, and as he balances himself by his fat little stomach on the sharp end of that stick and wiggles around where the wind listeth, he seems to have taken an overdose. As the weather vane is not a scintillating success, and unless the wind listeth unusually hard it cannot budge him, but as an example of the most acute form of the malady, he is practically priceless.

Further down the road, toward Shelton, there is another striking proof of the virulent form of the ancient craze. In a pretty old colonial farmhouse, with green blinds and yellow and white trimmings, lives a retired minister of the Gospel, and from the peak of the house of the minister a "horse" with beaver frontiers is taking a warming-up gallop in midair. As an ornament for a jockey club the hooded and blanketed steed could not be improved upon, but as a weather vane on a minister's home, it is simply illustrative of how the plague spread neither the righteous nor the ungodly. By a curious coincidence a horse trainer lived near the minister, and as if to emphasize the curious forms of the disease from his barn a truck horse cast in an heroic mold and totally out of sympathy with the trainer's spirited stock and the trainer's spirited wife, plodded placidly onward, never getting anywhere and never belling within four points of where the wind is, but contented in setting a worthy example for the young brothers below and in renting out his arched neck as a lodging-house for the birds of the air.

But high above all these, proud in the consciousness of its own superiority, stands the curvilinear and the oldest weather vane freak in that vane-stricken territory. From the pinnacle of the steeple of Christ church is perched a fighting cock, with head thrown back in a lusty crow and tail feathers arched defiantly. For 139 years that rooster has stood there crowing ceaselessly and boisterously over all creeds, all denominations and all other weather vane cocks. Christ church, the oldest Protestant Episcopal church in the state of Connecticut, has been rebuilt three times, and over each structure that old bird has stood guard in all kinds of weather, and somehow, in his brave old strut and swagger, he seems to embody both the idea of the "church militant and warring" of today and the promise of the "church triumphant" of the future.—N. Y. Press.

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"Be my wife," urged Mumbojumbo, the young central African warrior, of a shy and dark-skinned maid.

"I will first have to receive some proof of your devotion," she replied.

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Frank Smith of Waynesville, who has been a sufferer for some time with cancer in the groin, had an operation performed and is resting quite easy.

Eli Hill, Lumber City, Pa., writes: "I have been suffering from Piles for twenty-five years and thought my case incurable. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve was recommended to me as a pile cure so I bought a box and it performed a permanent cure." This is only one of thousands of similar cases. Eczema, sores and skin diseases will yield quickly when it is used. A. J. Stoner & Son and Armstrong Bros.

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It is somewhat paradoxical that should go to a blue room for relief of the blues, but there is doubtless a homoeopathic principle underlying effects, and it is undoubtedly a fact that the treatment has been very successful in cases of nervous disorders. The sunlight cure is as old as the hills, and the blue glass remedy was ten years ago, but the combination of two kinds of light is new. It has been found that a ray of old Sol cannot be taken "in bulk" as it were, with such beneficial effect as when it is divided up into parts administered in blue-coated homoeopathic doses.

A great many new discoveries have been made of late, relative to the properties of sunlight, of which the most important is the existence of the rays which caused so much excitement at the time of its denouement.

As is well known, a ray of light is a complex in its makeup, composed of the seven color rays: violet, indigo, blue, green, yellow, orange and red, which are visible to ordinary eyesight—besides at least two invisible rays, namely, the X ray of Röntgen on the violet end of the spectrum, and the infrared ray discovered by Prof. Langley, of the Smithsonian Institution. Each of these invisible rays has a specific chemical effect which is chiefly manifested in the process of photography. It is, therefore, reasonable to infer that each of the different color rays may have its own peculiar effect, chemical or otherwise.

A series of experiments Dr. J. M. Bleeker, of New York, who has been working on this subject for many years, has been able to show that certain rays are more efficacious in killing germs than others.

He has found that the blue, red, orange rays have a pronounced effect upon organic matter, and that the blue is the most powerful. Now, there is, of course, a certain portion of blue in every ray of light, but if the amount can be increased to a natural to suppose that its beneficial effects will be greater. For this reason it was at first believed that artificially blue atmosphere—speaking really would be the best destroyer of germs. By experiment upon the human body, however, it was found that the blue was too powerful and finally Dr. Bleeker hit upon the idea of obtaining it with streaks of white. The treatment was at first used upon a patient afflicted with nervous disease, and the effect produced was very beneficial. But owing to its known effect upon germs, Dr. Bleeker tried it upon the various infectious diseases, and with such good results he proposes, with the aid of a clock company, which has been formed by several prominent physicians, to build a hospital solely for this purpose.

Washington Star

## LONDON'S GROWTH STOPPED

### Metropolis of the World Expected to Shrink in Population Henceforward

The result of the recent census that during the last five years the city has increased somewhat less than it did in the previous five years. 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## BLUE GLASS REVIVAL.

The of the Flesh Again Being Treated by Color Rays.

Nervous Disorders Said to Have Been Remedied by the Light Admitted Through Colored Glasses.

The latest panacea for ills, imagined, otherwise, is the color bath, a treatment by associated rays. Fashionable women in New York are taking to it and have turned their boudoirs into glass hospitals for the cure of nervous ailments, from a headache to a case of typhoid fever.

It is a somewhat paradoxical that one who is a blue room for relief from a headache, there is doubtless some of the principle underlying its efficacy. It is undoubtedly a fact that the treatment has been very effective in the case of nervous disorder. The sunlight cure is as old as Diogenes, and the blue glass remedy was used in the case of a woman who had been suffering from a headache for two years ago, but the combination of two kinds of light is entirely new. It has been found that a ray of light cannot be taken "in bulk," but must be divided up into parts and administered in blue-coated homeopathic doses.

A great many new discoveries have been made of late, relative to the properties of sunlight, of which the most important is the existence of the X rays, which have caused so much excitement at the time of its announcement.

A ray of light, in its makeup, being composed of the seven color rays—violet, blue, green, yellow, orange and red, which are visible to the ordinary eye. Besides at least two invisible rays, namely, the X ray of Dr. Roentgen and the infrared ray discovered by Prof. Langley, of the Smithsonian Institution. Each of these invisible rays has a specific chemical effect which is clearly manifested in the process of photography. It is, therefore, reasonable to infer that each of the different color rays may have its own peculiar chemical or otherwise. By a series of experiments Dr. J. Mount, of New York, who has been working on this subject for many years, has been able to show that certain color rays are more efficacious in killing germs than others.

He has found that the blue, red and orange rays have a pronounced chemical effect upon organic matter, and of these the blue is the most powerful. Now, there is, of course, a certain proportion of blue in every ray of light, but if the amount can be increased it is natural to suppose that its beneficial effects will be greater. For this reason, it was at first believed that an artificial blue atmosphere—speaking literally—would be the best destroyer of germs. By experiment upon the living body, however, it was found that the artificial blue was too powerful, and Dr. Bleyer hit upon the plan of admitting it with streaks of white. This treatment was at first used upon patients afflicted with nervous diseases, and the result produced was very beneficial. It is now known that the artificial blue atmosphere—speaking literally—would be the best destroyer of germs.

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## HE BOUGHT THE HAY.

Now an Inebriated Pennsylvania Farmer Got the Best of the Auctioneer.

The man who goes to an auction is often tempted to purchase things he does not want and cannot afford to buy. But such temptation is much stronger when it comes to one who has been imbibing over freely, particularly if he is of a speculative nature. Yet there are a few who have sufficient wit to get them out of difficulties of this character, even when their brains are more or less befuddled. An amusing occurrence took place at an auction in one of the rural towns of Pennsylvania, where a house, barn and farm were offered for sale. Farmers came from all the surrounding country with a view of making a day of it and some of them nibbled too much corn juice in honor of the occasion.

In the barn were stored between 20 and 30 hundredweight of hay—prime timothy—on which the bidding started at four cents and gradually rose a quarter of a cent at a time, until it neared the market value of seven and a half or eight cents per pound.

The auctioneer was annoyed by the reckless bidding of a typical old hay-seeder who was so drunk that he could hardly stand. He was determined to buy that hay, regardless of its cost, and when the last sober bidder feebly cried "eight cents" he shouted "ten!"

Of course nobody would go higher than that and the farmers chuckled to think how their neighbor was to be taken in. "Do you mean to pay cash for this hay?" asked the auctioneer, who began to believe he had a good thing. "Wall, I reckon," replied the inebriated hay-seeder. "And how many hundredweight are you going to take?" "Dunno as I keer 'bout takin' a hundredweight," said the purchaser. "You might gimme 'bout one pound." What the auctioneer said will long be remembered by the farmers of Montgomery county. —Philadelphia Record.

## His Honey-moon.

The colored female cook of a family living at the South end came upstairs the other afternoon, and, twisting up the corners of her apron with considerable embarrassment, said to her mistress:

"You see, misses, I thought it mought be best to tell you dat I done got married last week."

"Ah, indeed! And what is your name now, Hannah?"

"Mist' Williams, ma'am. You see, my husband, he am a cook, too. He am what dey calls a sheff in a hotel."

"A chef, heh? That's very nice. And do you expect to leave us directly, Hannah?"

"Not, rec'tly, mum. I'll stay wid ye for de present. You see, my husband, he's gone to New York in 'Washington on his honey-moon, an' it'll be high onto six weeks befo' he comes back!"—Pittsburgh Courier.

## A Modern Malaprop.

Mrs. Shadmind—What a wonderful singer that old soprano is; of course, you heard her at the concert last evening.

Mrs. Franklign—No; unfortunately I was not able to attend.

"Indeed! You have no idea of what you missed; why, she just electrocuted the audience!"—Boston Courier.

## Hopless.

"Clinker tells me had to give up going into the bicycle business."

"Why?"

"He couldn't find a new name."—Brooklyn Life.

## Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by E. A. West, the druggist.

Grace Episcopal church at Pontiac has a boy choir.

## About the Eye.

For people with sore eyes, weak, watery eyes, and red and inflamed eyes, caused by age, catarrh or otherwise, the Brazilian Balm is a priceless boon. Put 15 or 20 drops of Balm into a spoonful of warm water and bathe the eyes well night and morning, getting some of the solution into the eyes. The relief and benefit is worth a hundred times the cost.

For sale by Armstrong Bros., Druggists

A lodge of Royal Neighbors has been organized at Thomasboro.

"Wake up, Jacob, day is breaking!" so said DeWitt's Little Early Risers to the man who had taken them to arouse his sluggish liver. A. J. Stonor & Son and Armstrong Bros.

## A university center has been formed at Delavan.

Diagnosis of Grippe.

True grippe is a germ disease. These germs are in the circulation and pervade every tissue and organ of the body. This brings speedy collapse and often death to the aged and debilitated. The only germicide known that searches out and destroys every grippe germ in the system is Brazilian Balm. A week or ten days' treatment effects a complete cure.

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Dr. T. S. Hoskins, Dentist, Opera House Block, ground floor. Jan 24-dwt

NOTICE

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J. E. POOLE, Secretary.

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